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Under the provisions of 37 CFR § 1.136(a), Applicant petitions to extend the period for filing a reply in the above-identified application. The requested extension and appropriate fee are as follows:

□ 37 CFR § 1.17(a)(1) - Extension within first month

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Respectfully submitted,

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